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To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: QRP-L digest 3131

QRP-L Digest 3131

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- 20) [162792] Nobody asked me! was: New Morse Character
by "Paul Valko - W8KC" <w8kc@comcast.net>
 - 21) [162793] NEQRP CW Net, Thursday, 11 Dec 03, 8:30 PM EST, 3.566 MHz
by Chuck Ludinsky <cludinsky@comcast.net>
 - 22) [162794] Iowa QRP CW Net ?
by "sslyon" <sslyon@megalink.net>
 - 23) [162795] re: Battery Adapaters
by Richard Clem <clem.law@usa.net>
 - 24) [162796] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
by Garie Halstead K8KFJ <khyberpass65@yahoo.com>
 - 25) [162797] 80 Meters
by Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
 - 26) [162798] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
by "Mike WA8BXN" <hubby2k@hotmail.com>
 - 27) [162799] Re: OT. 2meter animal tracking
by "W. Keith Hibbert" <wkhibbert@frontiernet.net>
 - 28) [162800] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
by Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
 - 29) [162801] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by "Pat Whelton" <pwhelton@earthlink.net>
 - 30) [162802] 80 meters
by Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
 - 31) [162803] Re: OT. 2meter animal tracking
by "TIM O'ROURKE" <w4yn@earthlink.net>
 - 32) [162804] Re: Modern keyers w/boatanchors...
by Steven Weber <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
 - 33) [162805] Fox hunt in WA state
by "Paul Beringer" <fistsc2c@yahoo.com>
 - 34) [162806] Truffle Report
by "Juan Ferrari" <puntrad@usa.net>
 - 35) [162807] Re: BPL (a Senators response)
by "Dave Martin" <k2zu@seanet.com>
 - 36) [162808] Last chance.....
by "Ron Pyle" <raple@gwtc.net>
 - 37) [162809] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
by Garie Halstead K8KFJ <khyberpass65@yahoo.com>
 - 38) [162810] Re: Truffle Report
by Garie Halstead K8KFJ <khyberpass65@yahoo.com>
 - 39) [162811] Re: Fox hunt in WA state
by "PHILIP DECAIRE" <pedecaire@email.msn.com>
 - 40) [162812] Re: BPL (a Senators response)
by Dan Harriman <kc5gxl@sbcglobal.net>
 - 41) [162813] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by Stephen Wandling <stephen@SwiftsureConsulting.com>
 - 42) [162814] Re: Fox hunt in WA state (antenna)
by ARDUJENSKI@aol.com
 - 43) [162815] Re: Fox hunt in WA state

- by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
- 44) [162816] re: New Morse Character
by "Bruce Prior" <n7rr@hotmail.com>
- 45) [162817] Re: OT. 2meter animal tracking
by Bob KB2FEL <kb2fel@yahoo.com>
- 46) [162818] OFF Topic - ARRL
by alan.kaul@att.net
- 47) [162819] Re: Fox Hunt in WA State
by "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
- 48) [162820] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by "Pastor-kc1di" <elbc2@gwi.net>
- 49) [162821] [CONTEST] N2CQ QRP Contest Calendar
by "Ken Newman" <n2cq@dandy.net>
- 50) [162822] Re: ScQRPion Paddle Observations
by Lee Boulineau <n4mvl@yahoo.com>
- 51) [162823] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by "Bud Haynes" <kv7g@toast.net>
- 52) [162824] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by jacksonharbor@att.net
- 53) [162825] Re: YMMV; was FOX: Idea for Consideration
by Lloyd Lachow <llachow@yahoo.com>
- 54) [162826] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by jacksonharbor@att.net
- 55) [162827] Original Nor'easter question
by Ken <kloc@commspeed.net>
- 56) [162828] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
by John Sielke <jsielke@pobox.com>
- 57) [162829] Iowa QRP Club CW Net
by Mark Milburn <mark.milburn@ispwest.com>
- 58) [162830] RE: BPL (a Senators response)
by "AI2Q" <ai2q@adelphia.net>
- 59) [162831] Fox Hunting Page - Thanks
by "John Shannon" <jsk3wvp@alltel.net>
- 60) [162832] RE: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>
- 61) [162833] [Hints & Kinks] 'RF' Gifts for the YL/XYL
by "Brad Hernlem" <alihernlem@hotmail.com>
- 62) [162834] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
- 63) [162835] Re: Iowa QRP Club CW Net
by "Mike WA8BXN" <hubby2k@hotmail.com>
- 64) [162836] Re 73 archives online
by "Mike Czuhajewski" <MCZUHAJEWSKI@evitechnology.com>
- 65) [162837] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>
- 66) [162838] Re: New Morse Character
by "Lee Hopper" <leehopp@msn.com>
- 67) [162839] Fox - Fox Hunt Team Results.

by "rattray" <rattray@accesscomm.ca>
68) [162840] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by "M.M." <markem@cox.net>
69) [162841] Fox - Fox Hunt Team results.
by "rattray" <rattray@accesscomm.ca>
70) [162842] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
by "Bill Rowlett" <kc4atu@hotmail.com>
71) [162843] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>
72) [162844] QSB on lower frequencies
by Peter Burbank <peterlee@qx.net>
73) [162845] Re: WTD: 2N930, 2N2369 transistors
by "Ian Wilson" <ianmwilson@earthlink.net>
74) [162846] Whoopee! A contest without RST!
by "Bruce Prior" <n7rr@hotmail.com>
75) [162847] Re: 80 meters
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
76) [162848] Lectrokit Spider: WTD, manual
by Steve Smith <sigcom@juno.com>
77) [162849] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!
by "John_Evans" <jae@codenet.net>
78) [162850] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!
by Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
79) [162851] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!
by "Ron KU7Y" <ku7y@tds.net>
80) [162852] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
by "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
81) [162853] Re: QSB on lower frequencies
by Curt Milton <wb8yyy@yahoo.com>
82) [162854] Re: 80 meters
by "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
83) [162855] HB: digital SWR/power meter
by Steven Weber <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
84) [162856] RST in QRP Contests
by "Oleg V. Borodin" <master72@lipetsk.ru>
85) [162857] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!
by "KXBill" <KXB-1@cox.net>
86) [162858] RE: 80 meters
by "Fred \ (VE3FAL\)" <flesnick@tbaytel.net>
87) [162859] ScQRPion Key #62 lives
by "Joe Martin" <km5cw@wt.net>
88) [162860] Re: digital SWR/power meter
by "Joe Martin" <km5cw@wt.net>
89) [162861] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!
by "Joe Martin" <km5cw@wt.net>
90) [162862] Thanks!
by "KB0VCC" <KB0VCC@Adelphia.Net>
91) [162863] Re: New Morse code character

- by w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>
- 92) [162864] Re: Truffle Report
by Dale Botkin <dale@botkin.org>
- 93) [162865] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
by w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>
- 94) [162866] Re: BPL (a Senators response)
by w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>
- 95) [162867] Re: Re 73 archives online
by w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>
- 96) [162868] Re: Thanks!
by Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>
- 97) [162869] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!
by "Bob Schreibmaier" <k3ph@ptd.net>
- 98) [162870] ScQRPion Key #62 lives
by "Joe Martin" <km5cw@wt.net>

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 15:22:30 -0800
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162773] Re: re. New Morse Character
Message-ID: <20031210232230.GB28223@bob>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

On Wed, Dec 10, 2003 at 02:51:24PM -0800, Bob Nielsen wrote:
> On Wed, Dec 10, 2003 at 04:18:17PM -0600, Lew Paceley wrote:
> > Jim,
> > You hit the nail on the head. I'm sure the committee that recommended
> > this character meant well, but duh? I can only assume that @ doesn't
> > translate to a short "at" in other languages and, heaven forbid,
> > non-English speaking operators might have to learn to send an English
> > word ;-)
> >
>
> It shorter than "ampersand". It refreshing to see there is still some
> official interest in code.

As Lloyd pointed out to me, that isn't an ampersand. I've been out of school for too long.

Bob, N7XY

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 15:45:52 -0800
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162774] Re: ScQRPion Paddle Observations
Message-ID: <20031210234552.GA28473@bob>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

On Wed, Dec 10, 2003 at 02:57:26PM -0800, Bob Nielsen wrote:
> I see that several folks already have built theirs. I placed my order
> at 6 AM PST, less than an hour after the announcement hit the reflector
> and ended up as #53 on the list. I am still waiting for it to show up,
> hopefully soon.

I checked the mailbox and the package had arrived. Now I need to stock
up on sandpaper, etc.

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 15:47:41 -0800 (PST)
From: David Toepfer <davetoepfer@yahoo.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162775] Re: re. New Morse Character
Message-ID: <20031210234741.77237.qmail@web12822.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

that is why i would propose (a).
Looks like an @.
<KN> a <KK> is a little long though.
And I'm not sure if (and) are standardized.

BTW, @ in spanish, just one example, as "aroba" (not "at").

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--- Lew Paceley <lew@paceley.com> wrote:
> Jim,
> You hit the nail on the head. I'm sure the committee that recommended
> this character meant well, but duh? I can only assume that @ doesn't
> translate to a short "at" in other languages and, heaven forbid,
> non-English speaking operators might have to learn to send an English
> word ;-)
>
> 72/73,
> *Lew*

> N5ZE
>
>

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 18:12:42 -0600
From: "Joe Martin" <km5cw@wt.net>
To: "QRP-1" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162776] Re: ScQRPion Paddle Observations
Message-ID: <00c201c3bf7b\$7fa3f500\$c48f77d8@JoesHome1>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

-----| Virus Scanned by Symantec |-----
----- Original Message -----
From: "Bob Nielsen" <nielsen@oz.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2003 4:57 PM
Subject: Re: ScQRPion Paddle Observations

> I see that several folks already have built theirs. I placed my order
> at 6 AM PST, less than an hour after the announcement hit the reflector
> and ended up as #53 on the list. I am still waiting for it to show up,
> hopefully soon.

>
> Bob, N7XY
>

Well bob. I'm #62 live in FtWorth and got mine Mon afternoon.
I've finished all but final assembly of post and soldering the wiring and
minor adjustments.
I got the finish I was after finally after 3 tries, I replaced the Gloss laq
for a Clear Satin to give the bras that warm look, the gloss made it look
iced over effect, so each to his own on that, I also had some body finishing
sandpaper of #1000 and #2000 fine grain then applied a lite buff with the
MAAS polish. It came out about as close as I'm gonna get it to what I was
looking for.
Good luck on yours.
72 de KM5CW Joe

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 00:16:36 -0000
From: "Vilhjalmur Sigurjonsson" <tf3vst@vortex.is>
To: "'Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion'" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162777] RE: New Morse Character
Message-ID: <000401c3bf7c\$0a67a380\$0800000a@IBMVilhjalmur>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

No worry, it actually is a latin which nobody speaks anymore, so it's a
no man's territory, hihi
73, de Villi TF3VS

>translate to a short "at" in other languages and, heaven forbid,
>non-English speaking operators might have to learn to send an English
>word ;-)

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 03:23:45 +0300
From: "Oleg V. Borodin" <master72@lipetsk.ru>
To: "Thomas Lewis" <thomas_h_lewis@msn.com>
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162778] Re[2]: re. New Morse Character
Message-ID: <2219490070.20031211032345@lipetsk.ru>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

TL> How do you send an _ underscore?

What's a good question :-) !

Wish you all the best!
72! de RV3GM Oleg ("Master-72") V. Borodin
Chairman of RU-QRP Club <http://ruqrp.narod.ru>

=== In QRP We Trust! ===

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 16:31:00 -0800 (PST)

From: Bob KB2FEL <kb2fel@yahoo.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162779] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
Message-ID: <20031211003100.35124.qmail@web60510.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

For me the defeat of not getting a pelt adds to the joy when we do get one. Its should be hard, that is why its called a HUNT! What joy would it be if we were guaranteed a pelt each and every time we hunted.

Perhaps an 80 meter hunt would be in order as we bottom out in the cycle. I for one would like to see that hunt kept separate from the 40 meter hunt. This way hunters who can not effectively hunt on 80 will still have the 40 to turn to.

just my thoughts

72
Bob
KB2FEL/8

Do you Yahoo!?
Protect your identity with Yahoo! Mail AddressGuard
<http://antispam.yahoo.com/whatsnewfree>

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 03:36:10 +0300
From: "Oleg V. Borodin" <master72@lipetsk.ru>
To: David Toepfer <davetoepfer@yahoo.com>
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162780] Re[2]: re. New Morse Character
Message-ID: <14620235221.20031211033610@lipetsk.ru>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

DT> BTW, @ in spanish, just one example, as "aroba" (not "at").

And as "sobAka" in Russian (as the "Dog" by English) - Hi.

72! de RV3GM Oleg ("Master-72") V. Borodin
=== In QRP We Trust! ===

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 19:41:41 -0500
From: "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@verizon.net>
To: ".QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162781] Calendar Reminder
Message-ID: <004201c3bf7f\$8bbf0790\$0200a8c0@WB3AAL>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello,

Just a quick reminder to those that reserved a 2004 QRP Contest Calendar.
You need to send in your payment.

If you did not order a calendar yet, there is still time to do so. I have
to print up another batch of calendars to ship out this weekend. Check
www.n3epa.org and click on the calendar link. Check out the comments from
people that already received their calendar.

72 and Thanks,
Ron Polityka
WB3AAL
www.n3epa.org/

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 00:43:48 -0600
From: "tmyers" <tmyers@academicplanet.com>
To: "QRP-L Post" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162782] BPL (a Senators response)
Message-ID: <001301c3bfb2\$22a309e0\$1700a8c0@newkid>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

This is the text of a letter that I received today from Senator Kay
Bailey Hutchison on the topic of broadband over power lines (BPL). I'm
not sure she has the point yet.

Terry, KQ5U
Spring, Texas

November 21, 2003

Thank you for contacting me regarding the possibility of transmitting broadband over power lines (BPL). I welcome your thoughts and comments on this matter.

Because broadband and electricity are transmitted over different frequencies, it is possible to provide Internet access through power lines, and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is currently studying if and how broadband services over power lines should be regulated. The transmission of BPL through power lines may interfere with existing radio use by such entities as police and emergency services so the FCC must proceed cautiously. FCC Chairman Michael Powell has pledged to protect access for those users, even if it means shifting the frequencies over which broadband will be transmitted.

As a member of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, I support increased access to the Internet, and broadband over power lines may deliver a solution for rural areas. However, it is essential BPL compete fairly with other delivery methods. As I continue to study this issue, you may be certain I will keep your views in mind.

I appreciate hearing from you and hope you will not hesitate to contact me on any issue of concern to you.

Sincerely,
Kay Bailey Hutchison
<http://hutchison.senate.gov>

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 17:45:53 -0700
From: "Ron KU7Y" <ku7y@tds.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162783] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
Message-ID: <00ad01c3bf80\$2d8de960\$64910b45@ku7y>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi All,

I really like the idea of using both 40m and 80m.

Why????

Well, lets face it. There is not too much challenge to holding still on one frequency and running stations. All it takes is practice to be able to run a good rate.

But to add another band means that now you need to figure out how to change bands without losing a lot of time and how to put out a good sig on two bands.

Then there are the hounds..... Gives them another place to look. Also gives them a good reason to try 2 radio contesting techniques! Put 80m in one ear and 40m in the other and start hunting for the fox!

Would it be harder? Maybe. (I would almost say yes for sure!)

But isn't the object of the hunts to help us become better operators? Not just something to pass the time of day with! :-)

OK, back in my hole.....

73,

Ron, KU7Y
ku7y@qsl.net
Brenda, AZ (or somewhere close!)
<http://www.qsl.net/ku7y>
<http://www.BrendaJamFest.com>

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 18:47:24 -0600
From: "Frank Emens" <femens@hiwaay.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162784] Morse character for "@"
Message-ID: <3FD76A3C.18639.E8E1A3@localhost>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Content-description: Mail message body

The need for including the "@" character in email addresses has made it necessary to have a Morse character definition for it. As handy as it is in conversation, "@" is not "at" and trying to use "at" for "@" can cause confusion in some cases,

especially
since "at" is only good in English. Making a composite character of "at" by
removing
the letter spacing produces "didahdah" which is "w" and won't do at all. The new
character, "didahdahdidahdit" should do away with the ambiguity.

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Frank Emens
femens@hiwaay.net
Huntsville, Alabama

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 17:03:25 -0600
From: "Jerry Ford" <benlightnd13@mchsi.com>
To: "qrp-l" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>,
"Elecraft@mailman.qth.net" <elecraft@mailman.qth.net>,
Subject: [162785] OK Who ordered the white stuff
Message-ID: <001101c3bf71\$d1826820\$4a78da0c@mchsi.com>

well, it's all over the place. I can't get out in my car so
all I've got left to do is play on the radio.

Phil is somewhere up around 7.110 looking for piggies. One of my
other piggy partners will be hanging around 7.044 with me.

It would be great if some of yall would drop by and help me melt the
yuk off my antler. It's 0046z now the the band has been
shutting down about 0230z so I have a bit of time before all is
lost.

Hope to C U on the air.

72 es oo Jerry NOJRN
FP # 546, 4SQRP, ARS # 923, ARCI # 11049, ARRL,
Springfield, Mo. MP + #8
<http://home.mchsi.com/~n0jrn>

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 19:54:11 -0500
From: "David Porter" <aa3ur@comcast.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162786] RE: New Morse code character
Message-ID: <NGBBICPOCLKMGIBGGBEACEIOECAA.aa3ur@comcast.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I just tried to send it to and found that it was easier to think of it as (WR) than (AC). It was much smoother that way.

Dave, AA3UR

> Just saw an
> article on the ARRL website that the ITU is going to adopt a
> character for
> the "@" symbol that is used in email addys. They decided on "AC"
> (.-.-.-.)
> for this. Wonder how long it has been since a character was added?
>
> 72/73
>
> Dennis - WB0WAO

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 19:55:11 -0500
From: "Lawrence Makoski" <Makos327@worldnet.att.net>
To: <jsielke@pobox.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162787] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
Message-ID: <00f401c3bf81\$6ec693e0\$47f04b0c@larrysahyqy001>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I agree with John and endorse "the kiss of death"!

73 de Larry W2LJ - Vivat Morse!

W2LJ@arrl.net
<http://www.qsl.net/w2lj>

ARRL Lifemember QRP ARCI #4488 NJQRP #47
FISTS #1469 QRP-L #778 FP #612 QRPp-I #759
ARS #1528 --- K1 #1647 --- AmQRP, CQC #746

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Sielke" <jsielke@pobox.com>

> At the risk of giving it the kiss of death, I think this is a great
> idea. Maybe even split the hunt into 1 hour 40M and 1 hour 80M, or
have
> one Fox on 40 and one on 80, and then they swap at the 1 hour point.
>

And ESPECIALLY the following:

> shot, but it would utilize 80M CW which is somewhat under utilized. It
> is one of the first bands the Phone Phreaks point to when justifying
> expansion of the phone bands.

>
> John W2AGN
>

>

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 20:09:16 -0500
From: "carl seyersdahl" <carlseye@tampabay.rr.com>
To: <davetoepfer@yahoo.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162788] Re: re. New Morse Character
Message-ID: <00b401c3bf83\$65e17040\$2939ca44@tampabay.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

It seems to me that anyone familiar with the 'net, or computers in general ,
would not need a "new" cw character for @. I'm sure I wouldn't need
it.!!What on earth is the big problem here,????? I'm not a Nut for CW but
let's keep it simple , Stupid.(KISS??)

----- Original Message -----

From: "David Toepfer" <davetoepfer@yahoo.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2003 6:47 PM
Subject: Re: re. New Morse Character

> that is why i would propose (a).
> Looks like an @.
> <KN> a <KK> is a little long though.
> And I'm not sure if (and) are standardized.
>
> BTW, @ in spanish, just one example, as "aroba" (not "at").
>

> dt
> .
>
> --- Lew Paceley <lew@paceley.com> wrote:
> > Jim,
> > You hit the nail on the head. I'm sure the committee that recommended
> > this character meant well, but duh? I can only assume that @ doesn't
> > translate to a short "at" in other languages and, heaven forbid,
> > non-English speaking operators might have to learn to send an English
> > word ;-)
> >
> > 72/73,
> > *Lew*
> > N5ZE
> >
> >
>

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 21:16:39 -0400
From: "Leigh Hawkes" <leighhawkes@ns.sympatico.ca>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162789] Re: OT. 2meter animal tracking
Message-ID: <000001c3bf84\$70dbff00\$a300a8c0@xphomefgrz3g2g>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

Have a look around the neighborhood or even your own QTH for a radio scanner. In the past, I've known EME operators who have been plagued = with

such a problem. Turns out that it was due to local oscillator leakage radiation from scanners ... the pulse rate results from the scanner's oscillator changing frequency as it scans each programmed channel.=20

With an outside antenna on a scanner, an EME station can detect this = scanner radiation for some miles distant.

73,
Leigh, VE1GA

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 20:30:29 -0500
From: Nick Yokanovich <k3ny@cablespeed.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162790] Re: Morse character for "@"
Message-ID: <3FD7C8B5.8010204@cablespeed.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Frank Emens wrote:

> ...Making a composite character of "at" by removing
> the letter spacing produces "didahdah" which is "w" and won't do at all.

Hey! W! That's what I hit half the time when aiming for the @!

Nick K3NY
"Blind as a b@"

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 01:42:26 +0000
From: jacksonharbor@att.net
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162791] [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
Message-ID: <121120030142.2287.15a9@att.net>

Fellows and Gals -

I was just on the Buckmaster callsign server when I noticed that they have many of the issues of 73 Magazine scanned and on-line. See:

<<http://hamcall.net/73>>

The earlier issues were quite a bit thicker than the recent ones. Lots of good information in 73 (along with those famous W2NSD editorials ;)

For example: Jan/Feb/March of 1994 had 3 articles by K9EUI on his WWVB based frequency standard.

It seems like access to the 73 archives is free now but that will apparently change in the future.

I haven't found an index to 73 on-line but one thing I usually do is check the FAR Circuits catalog if I'm looking for a particular type of project - then trace down the magazine and issue to see if it's worth pursuing.

FAR catalog is at:

<http://www.farcircuits.net/FAR_CKTS.pdf>

Best Regards,

Chuck Olson, WB9KZY
Jackson Harbor Press
<<http://jacksonharbor.home.att.net/>>

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 20:58:01 -0500
From: "Paul Valko - W8KC" <w8kc@comcast.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162792] Nobody asked me! was: New Morse Character
Message-ID: <[004b01c3bf8a\\$354a7510\\$6401a8c0@hamshack1](mailto:004b01c3bf8a$354a7510$6401a8c0@hamshack1)>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Had whatever "committee" just called me up, I would have made the "new" character this...

didadadidadah (WW) ---

In other words... AT AT

So simple, only I could have come up with it.

73! =paul= W8KC
Collector of Ten*Tecs and other fine plastics.
Visit the Virtual Ten*Tec Museum at <http://mywebpages.comcast.net/w8kc>

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 21:02:40 -0500
From: Chuck Ludinsky <cludinsky@comcast.net>
To: neqrp@jonal.net, qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162793] NEQRP CW Net, Thursday, 11 Dec 03, 8:30 PM EST, 3.566 MHz

Message-ID: <3FD7D040.9000409@comcast.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The New England QRP Club's 80M CW net, WQ1RP, will meet again on Thursday, 11 December 2003, at 8:30 PM EST (01:30Z, 12 Dec 03) on or near 3.566 MHz. All hams are welcome. Net control operator will be Chuck, K1CL, operating from Chelmsford, MA.

Last week, we had excellent conditions, with a total of eight participants:

WB1HBE	John	Chelmsford, MA	599
W2SH	Charles	Millington, NJ	599
K1RC	John	Dracut, MA	599
N1CUU	Carl	nr Gettysburg, PA	589
WA1CFX	Howard	Jamaica Plains, MA	589
K1YPP	Dennis	Clinton, MA	599
WA8BXN	Mike	nr Cleveland, OH	589
K1CL	Chuck	Chelmsford, MA	net op

Good to hear everyone, and thanks for checking in. Hope to hear you all again this week.

72 DE K1CL,

Chuck

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 21:11:00 -0500
From: "sslyon" <sslyon@megalink.net>
To: <mark.milburn@ispwest.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162794] Iowa QRP CW Net ?
Message-ID: <001501c3bf8c\$061a0100\$47c7e742@megalink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Mike BXN and I are here -anyone else?
-s-

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Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 20:23:28 -0600
From: Richard Clem <clem.law@usa.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Cc: <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>, <jacksonharbor@att.net>
Subject: [162795] re: Battery Adapaters
Message-ID: <081HLkcXC0368S06.1071109408@cmsweb06.cms.usa.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

The local St. Paul, MN, surplus emporium (Ax-Man) had some of these. I c= an't say for sure, but they look just like the cyberguys.com version. Ax-Man = had them for something like 75 cents.

While it might be a good idea to have a couple of them around for an emergency, I wouldn't recommend the ones we bought for normal use. It wa= s quite tricky getting them to fit together just right in order to work. A= fter a little experimenting, I was able to get a D-cell flashlight to work wit= h AA's, but not reliably.

Again, they might come in handy when you're short one D-cell and have som= e AA's lying around, but it seems like it would be a pain to get several of= them put together and working.

73,
Rick W0IS

>Wish I knew the right term, but I'm hoping someone else has
>purchased/knews where to obtain the "dummie" battery shells
>that let you use a AA cell in place of a D cell.

Thom -

The Cyberguys have something called the upsizer:

<<http://www.cyberguys.com/templates/searchdetail.asp?T1=3D161+0385>>

I've never tried them - they look a little expensive to me at \$3.99

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 18:24:53 -0800 (PST)
From: Garie Halstead K8KFJ <khyberpass65@yahoo.com>
To: k5di@zianet.com,
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162796] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
Message-ID: <20031211022453.93486.qmail@web60307.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

--- Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com> wrote:

> So as a strawman rule: The Fox may announce in his message to
> the QRP-L list that at a time after 0329 UTC he/she intends to move
> to
> 3.5040 MHz, and listen 2 KHz higher.

Where's the hunt in "Fox Hunt" if actual frequencies are announced on this list prior to a hunt (or in realtime during the hunt)? Isn't finding the fox mainly what the hunt is supposed to be all about? YMMV

72, Gary -K8KFJ-

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Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 19:43:14 -0700 (MST)
From: Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162797] 80 Meters
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0312101940310.4692-100000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I was wrong, 3.504 is in the Extra Class part of 80 meters. I have moved up to 3.5600.00 and it sounds noisy but no signals but mine. I will call CQ a few times. I did check lower and the band appears to be wide open at 0240 UTC.

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 21:53:39 -0500 (Eastern Standard Time)
From: "Mike WA8BXN" <hubby2k@hotmail.com>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>, <khyberpass65@yahoo.com>
Subject: [162798] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
Message-ID: <3FD7DC33.000006.00460@compaq1500>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: Text/Plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I think a lot depends on band conditions. If conditions are decent hunting for the fox is part of the hunt. On the other hand with what we have been having at times, its really no fun to be twisting the dial for two hours and hearing nothing. At least with a good frequency spotting one can hope there will be a lucky few moments the fox can be heard. A bit of a challenge is good, but making it even harder under poor conditions is something else.

73/72 - Mike WA8BXN

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Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 21:56:24 -0500
From: "W. Keith Hibbert" <wkhibbert@frontiernet.net>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162799] Re: OT. 2meter animal tracking
Message-ID: <5.1.0.14.0.20031210215209.009ed6e0@pop3.frontiernet.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

What is being hear, most likely, are the LO's of scanners. If there are any active frequencies in the VHF-Hi band from 154.7 to 158.8 MHz, the local oscillators of the scanners used to monitor said frequencies will be audible for quite a way, miles even.

The Watertown, NY repeater on 146.700 MHz was kerchunked by a scanner L0 for a whole summer back a few years ago. The scanner was in a shop in the next town, and there was enough signal getting back out on the outside antenna that it could hold the repeater open.

The listener was monitoring the VHF FM Marine emergency channel 24/7

73, Keith, WB2VU0, Trustee of the NQ2RP/B 10-Meter Beacon
28.2873 MHz on Your Radio Dial - 24/7

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 20:10:28 -0700 (MST)
From: Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
To: Garie Halstead K8KFJ <khyberpass65@yahoo.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162800] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0312102006210.4692-1000000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Wed, 10 Dec 2003, Garie Halstead K8KFJ wrote:

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>
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Good Lord Gary, have you never been a Hound? I am both Hound and Fox and I identify where I will be Fox as above or below 7.040 and give a frequency like 7.037 but in fact there may be a QSO there and I must move to 7.035. You will find that on a bad day finding the Fox is a real Pain!

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 21:06:28 -0600
From: "Pat Whelton" <pwhelton@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162801] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
Message-ID: <03e601c3bf93\$c5848540\$8901a8c0@Earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----
From: <jacksonharbor@att.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2003 7:42 PM
Subject: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line

> Fellows and Gals -
>
> I was just on the Buckmaster callsign server when I noticed that they
> have many of the issues of 73 Magazine scanned and on-line. See:
>
> <<http://hamcall.net/73>>
>
> The earlier issues were quite a bit thicker than the recent ones. Lots
> of good information in 73 (along with those famous W2NSD editorials ;)
>

Can someone tell me what I am doing wrong? When I try to view the 73 issues
all I get is a lot of boxes with little red X's in them.

I know. It's all my fault.

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 20:22:16 -0700 (MST)
From: Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162802] 80 meters
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0312102010540.4692-100000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

At 0310 I heard kd5sgl on 3.557 and un-hams on 3.551 MHz USB talking about banking in Northern Mexico. They are 59+. It happens that kd5sgl is in Los Alamos Lab which is about 290 miles from my house. He is on CW and was hitting 599 +20DB.

So tonight if 40 meters goes long only, if the Foxes come down to 80 meters the close Hounds can get a pelt. I did work wa0kz1 in Iowa and his signal was good.

So I say tonight 80 meters is a good close, under 1000 miles band qrp at 0300 UTC.

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces, NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 22:32:07 -0500
From: "TIM O'ROURKE" <w4yn@earthlink.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162803] Re: OT. 2meter animal tracking
Message-ID: <GKENKCCGKMCIHINPDCBPCEICCAA.w4yn@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

When I worked for biology department we put small xmitters i snakes and other reptiles. But they were in the 400 MHz range,
Tim O'Rourke W4YN

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 17:28:35 -0500

From: Steven Weber <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
To: KB0VCC@Adelphia.Net,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162804] Re: Modern keyers w/boatanchors...
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.20031210172835.007bb930@mailhost.ncia.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

>Hey gang. I was wondering... I've got a couple of boatanchors that
>I've mostly been using the straight key with, but occasionally would like
>to use my keyers with. I've done the in-line relay thing, to isolate

The best way to handle this is use an opto isolator with the required break down voltage. (100 volts would be fine) Thier easy to find. The opto gives you isolation, which might be important, and it can handle the voltage inversion, since you have to pull a negative voltage to ground. To "Beef up" the current handling capacity of the opto, you can add a PNP transistor. The collector of the opto ouput goes to the base of the PNP. The emitter of the opto goes to the collector of the PNP. Add 100 K resistor bewteen the base and emitter of the PNP to ensure it turns off. The emitter of the PNP goes to ground and the collector to the neg keying line.

You can also use this with solid state postive keying voltages by grounding the collector and putting the emitter to the plus keyed voltage.

72,

Steve, KD1JV

"Melt Solder"

White Mountains of New Hampshire

<http://www.qsl.net/kd1jv/>

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 20:35:47 -0800
From: "Paul Beringer" <fistsc2c@yahoo.com>
To: "Qrp-L reflector" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162805] Fox hunt in WA state
Message-ID: <OKEEKIBJJJOAMBPELHNDBOEGBCGAA.fistsc2c@yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I noticed in the two logs of the foxii that WA was missing from the results. Was no one trying from Washington or were condx so nasty that we were not on the radar screen?

73/72

Paul NG7Z

(currently QRT due to condo tyranny but trying to sell. anyone wanna a nice two bedroom condo in Seattle?)

Outgoing mail is certified Virus Free.

Checked by AVG anti-virus system (<http://www.grisoft.com>).

Version: 6.0.548 / Virus Database: 341 - Release Date: 12/5/2003

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 04:35:06 -0000

From: "Juan Ferrari" <puntrad@usa.net>

To: "Piggies-L" <fpqrp-l@mpna.com>,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [162806] Truffle Report

Message-ID: <002101c3bfa0\$27e1fc20\$d35e4b43@puntana.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 8bit

Hi Gang.

No log to publish here.

I didn't heard any one nor anyone heard me.

I had a great time practicing sending CQFP de KG4FSN during 30 minutes.

One hour before I tested my setup with W4MQ in Virginia and my signal was weak but a 439 was OK for my 2.5 watts. At the time for the Truffle, I couldn't hear any signal except a HK from Bogot , Colombia and a lot of Cuban and Venezuelan SSB.

During the Fox Hunt I heard some hounds at ESP level and disappearing in the QSB but no foxes.

Well. I hope next time we will have better condx.

72

Juan - KG4FSN

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 21:01:42 -0800

From: "Dave Martin" <k2zu@seanet.com>

To: "qrp-l" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [162807] Re: BPL (a Senators response)

Message-ID: <000301c3bfa3\$deaf22e0\$108c2640@davemartin>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

"Because broadband and electricity are transmitted over different frequencies". I think that has a nice ring to it. I also think this lady should use some of that electricity to turn on the light.

Dave K2ZU

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 22:15:20 -0700
From: "Ron Pyle" <raple@gwtc.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162808] Last chance.....
Message-ID: <0c8701c3bfa5\$c6407d10\$65aafb40@yourjbuypagwhk>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
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This is my last attempt at selling for now. I very much need to get it sold today and the money to me....

I'll add an Astron VS-20M to my Elecraft K2. You get everything I mentioned in the K2 already, and a good power supply. Just send me \$1000 and your address. I'll ship it out ASAP.

I still have my oscilloscope HP, 1725A, 275MHZ. I'll be happy to drop the price to \$350....but you don't get calibration, no assurance it works, no two new probes, no HP application note 262 entitled: "Eliminating Time-Base errors from oscilloscope measurements", and no "Operators Guide" for the scope. Still asking \$500 for a good complete working, calibrated oscilloscope.

Ron
KC0QXU

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 21:13:59 -0800 (PST)
From: Garie Halstead K8KFJ <khyberpass65@yahoo.com>
To: Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162809] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
Message-ID: <20031211051359.97399.qmail@web60306.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

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> will find that on a bad day finding the Fox is a real Pain!

No one ever said finding 'em would be easy most nights (you see, that's where the real challenge comes in).

Hey Karl, I'm probably in the minority on this one but I'd just rather not know, OK. In fact, I don't even want to know if you're going to be the high fox or the low fox. But that's just me. And as I've indicated previously, your mileage may vary.

72, Gary -K8KFJ-

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Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 21:20:38 -0800 (PST)
From: Garie Halstead K8KFJ <khyberpass65@yahoo.com>
To: puntrad@usa.net,
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162810] Re: Truffle Report
Message-ID: <20031211052038.13721.qmail@web60302.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

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> 72
> Juan - KG4FSN

No problem Juan. You were there and gave it a shot and that's all that matters. We appreciate the effort. I'm just sorry the propagation did a number on you for your truffle outing. I look forward in working you next time. 00

72, Gary -K8KFJ-

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<http://antispam.yahoo.com/whatsnewfree>

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 21:27:09 -0800
From: "PHILIP DECAIRE" <pedecaire@email.msn.com>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162811] Re: Fox hunt in WA state
Message-ID: <008a01c3bfa7\$6cfe3ab0\$e2502a43@grape>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I had a receiver on for a bit here Paul, but 40M sounded an awful lot like 10M here just south of Seattle. I don't think I could have worked any hounds, much less foxes!

I'm playing with a neat antenna, called the DCTL (distributed capacitance twisted loop, you can easily find web pages on it). My buddy N7BVY built a couple for experimenting and I borrowed one. Strung up as a delta loop, its about 5 feet per leg cut for 40M. I've had a

couple QSOs with it strung on a little mast in my shack. I don't expect it to equal my (no longer existing) low 40M full wave loop, but I'd bet it would fit in your condo! As they say, any antenna is many dB better than no antenna at all.

72's, Phil WB7AEI

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 05:36:43 -0600
From: Dan Harriman <kc5gxl@sbcglobal.net>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [162812] Re: BPL (a Senators response)
Message-ID: <6.0.1.1.1.20031211053541.02ac1c40@pop.sbcglobal.yahoo.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Being from Texas I can say; "If you only knew."

Dan Harriman
Orange, Texas

At 23:01 12/10/2003, you wrote:

>"Because broadband and electricity are transmitted over different
>frequencies". I think that has a nice ring to it. I also think this lady
>should use some of that electricky to turn on the light.

>Dave K2ZU

>

>

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>Incoming mail is certified Virus Free.

>Checked by AVG anti-virus system (<http://www.grisoft.com>).

>Version: 6.0.548 / Virus Database: 341 - Release Date: 12/05/2003

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Proud member of QRP-ARCI # 9126; QRP-L # 431; ARS # 25; FISTS # 1572;
QRPP-l # 702; 1010 Int.; FP # 555; SOC # 569; NETXQRP # 45; ARRL; ARRL-VE;
AMQRP; RU-QRP # 43; MQFD # 5; grid EM30cc

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If at first you don't succeed, maybe you shouldn't try
sky-diving! dit dit

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Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 22:22:33 -0800
From: Stephen Wandling <stephen@SwiftsureConsulting.com>
To: unlisted-recipients;; (no To-header on input)
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162813] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
Message-ID: <3FD80D29.2040300@SwiftsureConsulting.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Pat,

I had the same problem. If you put your cursor over any of the graphics you will see that each URL ends with "=DEMO". I suspect that this is a demo setup for a service that they will sell.

Stephen

Pat Whelton wrote:

>----- Original Message -----
>From: <jacksonharbor@att.net>
>To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
>Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2003 7:42 PM
>Subject: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
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>>Fellows and Gals -
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>>I was just on the Buckmaster callsign server when I noticed that they
>>have many of the issues of 73 Magazine scanned and on-line. See:
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>> <<http://hamcall.net/73>>
>>
>>The earlier issues were quite a bit thicker than the recent ones. Lots
>>of good information in 73 (along with those famous W2NSD editorials ;)
>>
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>
>Can someone tell me what I am doing wrong? When I try to view the 73 issues
>all I get is a lot of boxes with little red X's in them.
>
>I know. It's all my fault.

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 01:33:20 EST
From: ARDUJENSKI@aol.com
To: pedecaire@email.msn.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162814] Re: Fox hunt in WA state (antenna)
Message-ID: <9c.392ebfb8.2d0969b0@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Phil

Part of the problem is getting high enough efficiency on the DCTL although it does work relatively well. If you are able to mount a flag pole bracket outside your window and temporarily install a CABELA 14ft collapsible fish pole you may see a big improvement. This is the one that collapses down to 15 inches. With a 13 ft base mast wire a 75 turn coil (on 1 inch pvc form) and about a 3 ft wire on top of that you will get a nice 40/20m antenna with about 35 percent on 40m and 60 percent on 20m. For 20m you need to bypass the coil. You will get pretty close to 50 ohms match depending on your physical conditions.

Alan KB7MBI in Woodinville, WA
FISTS 5702 / ARS / Proud member of ARRL
--- --- --- --- DIT DIT

Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 22:59:11 -0800
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162815] Re: Fox hunt in WA state
Message-ID: <20031211065911.GB32715@bob>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

On Wed, Dec 10, 2003 at 08:35:47PM -0800, Paul Beringer wrote:

> I noticed in the two logs of the foxii that WA was missing from the results.
> Was no one trying from Washington or were condx so nasty that we were not on
> the radar screen?
> 73/72

> Paul NG7Z
> (currently QRT due to condo tyranny but trying to sell. anyone wanna a nice
> two bedroom condo in Seattle?)

All us WA hams were on our way to the WWDXC meeting, of course!

73, Bob N7XY

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 07:01:56 +0000
From: "Bruce Prior" <n7rr@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [162816] re: New Morse Character
Message-ID: <BAY1-F114BfI8qrFpTW00020c8f@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

I find @ is a lot easier to send if I think of it as WR rather than AC. A
very badly needed character is ! (exclamation mark). I've proposed . - . .
. for that one (in Morsum Magnificat several years ago), even though it also
serves as an amateur radio prosign for "hang on a sec". The context of an
exclamation mark after some expression is normally quite clear.

72,

J. Bruce Prior N7RR
Kairos Research
853 Alder Street
Blaine, WA 98230-8030
360-332-6046

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Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 23:10:46 -0800 (PST)
From: Bob KB2FEL <kb2fel@yahoo.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162817] Re: OT. 2meter animal tracking
Message-ID: <20031211071046.82142.qmail@web60504.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Hi all,

Thank you all for the suggestions and help with the pulses on 144 to 144.5mhz.

The scanner LO's sound like the problem. The town I live in is small and we all listen to the same freq so I will monitor and as the local public services transmit the scanners should hold on the freq and the pulse should stop.

That will prove it is the local scanners.

TNX es 72

Bob

KB2FEL/8

Almost Heaven West Virginia

"even with the scanner QRM"

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 08:16:43 +0000

From: alan.kaul@att.net

To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu

Subject: [162818] OFF Topic - ARRL

Message-ID: <121120030816.26637.15f4@att.net>

I have agreed to help compile a survey which seeks answers for these two questions....

If you are not a member of the ARRL, why not?

If you were a member of the ARRL and quit, why?

Please respond by December 18th. Answers OFF list to me at w6rcl@amsat.org are preferred.

Thank-you.

Best 72/73 de alan

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Alan Kaul W6RCL LaCanada, CA 91011

e-mail: w6rcl@amsat.org

<http://home.att.net/~alan.kaul/index.html>

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 06:08:41 -0500
From: "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162819] Re: Fox Hunt in WA State
Message-ID: <000301c3bfd7\$23035280\$4f3b0843@swfla.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

So far this Winter Hunting Season only 1 pelt has been bagged by a Hound in Washington (N7MFB in Hunt 3 - FOX was AC7A in AZ.). Young Ben (NW7DX) has been a FOX, but is not a FOX this Season, The following Washington State Hounds have bagged pelts in the past: NG7Z, WB7AEI, K7BTW, N7BVY, KD7CFN, KC7CTG, W7DFO, NW7DX, K7HBN, W7HR, KL7IXI, KB7MBI, KB7N, K7NWS, K7OZN, N7RR, NQ7T and N7XY.

Tom, N1TP
Naples, Florida

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 06:49:21 -0500 (Eastern Standard Time)
From: "Pastor-kc1di" <elbc2@gwi.net>
To: <jacksonharbor@att.net>,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162820] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
Message-ID: <3FD859C1.00000C.01804@DOR>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: Text/Plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

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I tried to acess the sight and none of my browsers would render the page=
s
of 73 any one had sucess?=0D
I've tried I.E. Monzilla, opera and others. =0D
=0D
-----Original Message-----=0D

=0D
From: jacksonharbor@att.net=0D
Date: Wednesday, December 10, 2003 21:20:05=0D
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion=0D
Subject: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line=0D
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Fellows and Gals -=0D
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I was just on the Buckmaster callsign server when I noticed that they=0D
have many of the issues of 73 Magazine scanned and on-line. See:=0D
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<<http://hamcall.net/73>>=0D
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The earlier issues were quite a bit thicker than the recent ones. Lots=0D
of good information in 73 (along with those famous W2NSD editorials ;)=0D
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For example: Jan/Feb/March of 1994 had 3 articles by K9EUI on his=0D
WWVB based frequency standard.=0D
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It seems like access to the 73 archives is free now but that will=0D
apparently change in the future.=0D
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I haven't found an index to 73 on-line but one thing I usually do=0D
is check the FAR Circuits catalog if I'm looking for a particular=0D
type of project - then trace down the magazine and issue to see=0D
if it's worth pursuing.=0D
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FAR catalog is at:=0D
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<http://www.farcircuits.net/FAR_CKTS.pdf>=0D
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Best Regards,=0D
=0D
Chuck Olson, WB9KZY=0D
Jackson Harbor Press=0D
<<http://jacksonharbor.home.att.net/>>=0D
=0D
=2E

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 07:21:07 -0500
From: "Ken Newman" <n2cq@dandy.net>
To: "List QRP-Canada" <qrp-canada@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>,
"K8NI Norm Into" <normk8ni@neo.rr.com>,
Subject: [162821] [CONTEST] N2CQ QRP Contest Calendar
Message-ID: <0e4401c3bfe1\$47e36ea0\$59ea80d1@kensdell>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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N2CQ QRP CONTEST CALENDAR  
December 2003  
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40 METER FOXHUNT - Wednesday 0200z to 0400z (Tue eve USA)
Info: <http://www.cqc.org>

Truffle Hunt - 30 min before Fox Hunt
Info: http://fpqrp.com/pig_hunt.html
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ARRL 10 Meter Contest (CW/SSB) ... QRP Category  
Dec 13, 0000z to Dec 14, 2400z  
Rules: <http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2003/10-meters.html>  
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The Great Colorado Snowshoe Run (40m CW) *** QRP Contest ***
Dec 14, 0200z to 0400z
Rules: <http://www.cqc.org/contests/index.htm>
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Run For The Bacon (CW) \*\*\* QRP Contest \*\*\*  
Dec 15, 0100z to 0300z  
Rules: <http://fpqrp.com>  
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AGB (Belarus) Party Contest (CW/SSB) (80m)... QRP Category
Dec 19, 2100z to 2400z
Rules: http://www.qsl.net/eu1eu/agb_party.htm
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Croatian CW Contest (CW) ... QRP Category  
Dec 20, 1400z to Dec 21, 1400z  
Rules: <http://www.sk3bg.se/contest/9acwc.htm>  
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RAC Canada Winter Contest (ALL) ... QRP Category
Dec 27, 0000z to 2359z
Rules: <http://www.rac.ca/CANWIN.htm>
See <http://www.rac.ca/qrpcan/iwrqrp.htm>
for more awards from QRP-Canada
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Stew Perry (W1BB) Topband Distance Challenge (CW) ... QRP Category  
Dec 27, 1500z to Dec 28, 1500z  
Rules: <http://jzap.com/k7rat/stew.rules.txt>  
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Original QRP Contest (CW - 80, 40 & 20m) ... QRP Category
Dec 27, 1500z to Dec 28, 1500z
Rules: <http://www.qrpcc.de/>

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Holiday Milliwatt CW Contest    \*\*\* QRP Contest \*\*\*  
Dec 28, 1800 to 0200 z  
Dec 29, 1800 to 0200 z  
Dec 30, 1800 to 0200 z  
Rules: [www.knightlites.org/](http://www.knightlites.org/)  
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Thanks to SM3CER, WA7BNM, N0AX(ARRL), WB3AAL and others
for assistance in compiling this calendar.

Please foreward the contest info you sponsor to N2CQ@ARRL.NET and
we will post it and give it more publicity.

Anyone may use this "N2CQ QRP Contest Calendar" for your website,
newsletter, e-mail list or other media as you choose.

(Include a credit to the source of this material of course.)

72 de

Ken Newman - N2CQ

N2CQ@ARRL.NET

<http://www.amqrp.org/contesting/contesting.html>

<http://www.n3epa.org/Pages/Contest/contest.htm>

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 04:56:23 -0800 (PST)
From: Lee Boulineau <n4mvl@yahoo.com>
To: km5cw@wt.net, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162822] Re: ScQRPion Paddle Observations
Message-ID: <20031211125623.15965.qmail@web21204.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

#41 in Florida - popped up in the box Tues PM!!!

Lee N4MVL

--- Joe Martin <km5cw@wt.net> wrote:

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> > and ended up as #53 on the list. I am still

> waiting for it to show up,

> > hopefully soon.

> >

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 06:29:13 -0700
From: "Bud Haynes" <kv7g@toast.net>
To: <stephen@SwiftsureConsulting.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162823] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
Message-ID: <007301c3bfea\$c6f7ffe0\$84e8fea9@BUD>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----
From: "Stephen Wandling" <stephen@SwiftsureConsulting.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2003 11:22 PM
Subject: Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line

> Hi Pat,
>
> I had the same problem. If you put your cursor over any of the graphics
> you will see that each URL ends with "=DEMO". I suspect that this is a
> demo setup for a service that they will sell.
>
> Stephen
>

It says right on the top of the page "This is a test version of the final
fee-based service, we welcome your feedback"

Bud - KV7G
Mailto: kv7g@toast.net
Web Site: www.qsl.net/kv7g

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 13:41:02 +0000
From: jacksonharbor@att.net
To: "Pastor-kc1di" <elbc2@gwi.net>
Cc: qrp-1@lehigh.edu

Subject: [162824] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
Message-ID: <121120031341.6065.753d@att.net>

> I tried to access the sight and none of my browsers would render the pages

The

<<http://hamcall.net/73>>

link transfers to one with

<<http://hamcall.net/cgi-bin/73.exe>>

so I guess that some program is being run via the browser.

I'm using Internet Explorer 6 - maybe it's the security settings
under tools, internet options, security ?

Maybe something needs to be enabled in the security settings ?

Best Regards,

Chuck Olson, WB9KZY
Jackson Harbor Press
<<http://jacksonharbor.home.att.net/>>

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 05:47:38 -0800 (PST)
From: Lloyd Lachow <llachow@yahoo.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162825] Re: YMMV; was FOX: Idea for Consideration
Message-ID: <20031211134738.14612.qmail@web41014.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

My \$0.02:

When I've been a Fox, I don't announce my frequency
in advance, partly because I don't know where it'll be
open, and partly because it is a Hunt. As a Hound, I
like to try and find the Foxii without any spotting
help, if possible. But I'll look for help if I can't
find one, as was the case with the high Fox, for me,
this week.

IMHO, though, the real challenge/fun in the Fox

Hunt comes in working the pileup: listening real good to what the Fox is doing and how he's doing it, and trying to get my call in there and working that furry fellow without QRMing the pack.

The real experienced Hounds, the ones who get in those Fox logs every week, do it by making their calls easy for the Fox to copy. They do that by being in the right spot, sending clearly at the right speed, and by listening real good to what's going on.

This fine Hunt comes with some built-in hurdles, such as propagation, location, gear, etc. My feeling is that if I could bag two pelts each week by 0210, it wouldn't feel like as much of an accomplishment, or be as much fun. YMMV.

72!

LL

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73, 72 es oo, Lloyd, K3ESE - Reisterstown, Maryland
KX1#11 - multiPIG+#14 - K1#379 - 20/40M RockMites
EDZ - Longwahr - Begali Magnetic Classic Paddles
ARRL - ARS - QRParci - QCWA - FISTS #8774
FPQRP #476 - QRP-L - BORG #2
Fun = Skill / Power ! 8^D

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 13:54:57 +0000
From: jacksonharbor@att.net
To: pwhelton@earthlink.net
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162826] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line
Message-ID: <121120031354.16995.29b@att.net>

>Can someone tell me what I am doing wrong? When I try to view the 73 issues
>all I get is a lot of boxes with little red X's in them.

Pat -

Today I see the same thing, boxes with an X.

Sorry - it did work last night - maybe it's a server overload
or maybe someone at Buckmaster flipped a switch ?

I should have kept my mouth shut ;)

Best Regards,

Chuck Olson, WB9KZY
Jackson Harbor Press
<<http://jacksonharbor.home.att.net/>>

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 07:19:31 -0700
From: Ken <kloc@commspeed.net>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [162827] Original Nor'easter question
Message-ID: <5.2.1.1.2.20031211071726.00b12bc8@mail.commspeed.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Are there any unassembled kits available? Or, construction details.
I can fabricate my own pc board

Thank you,

Ken - WA4MNT

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 09:57:57 -0500
From: John Sielke <jsielke@pobox.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162828] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration
Message-ID: <3FD885F5.7080503@pobox.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

> Where's the hunt in "Fox Hunt" if actual frequencies are announced on
> this list prior to a hunt (or in realtime during the hunt)? Isn't
> finding the fox mainly what the hunt is supposed to be all about? YMMV
>
> 72, Gary -K8KFJ-

Same idea as the fox posting his log after the hunt, so the hounds can make "corrections." If there is a typo, fine, but if a callsign was copied wrong, or any of the other info, then there was no QSO. Try getting a DXpedition to QSL with a busted call.

John W2AGN

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 09:13:23 -0600
From: Mark Milburn <mark.milburn@ispwest.com>
To: QRP-L Reflector <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162829] Iowa QRP Club CW Net
Message-ID: <3FD88993.607A8966@ispwest.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Wow...think that's the first time I've ever been shut out completely. The Kansas net ran overtime so I had to start a little high, but within a few minutes they were done and I used the regular frequency...didn't hear a peep.

Sorry, gang, but we'll give her a good try again next week.

72 Mark KQ0I
Des Moines, Iowa

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 10:33:31 -0500
From: "AI2Q" <ai2q@adelphia.net>
To: "'tmyers'" <tmyers@academicplanet.com>,
 "'Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion'" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162830] RE: BPL (a Senators response)
Message-ID: <000c01c3bffc\$22959cc0\$6401a8c0@hq.cmp.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Time to write her another letter Terry, and explain more details to her. Hold her feet to the fire!

GL.

Vy 73, AI2Q, Alex in Kennebunk, Maine QRP-L #687
<http://users.adelphia.net/~alexmm/ai2q.htm>

.-.-.

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of tmyers

Sent: Thursday, December 11, 2003 1:44 AM

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion

Subject: BPL (a Senators response)

This is the text of a letter that I received today from Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison on the topic of broadband over power lines (BPL). I'm not sure she has the point yet.

Terry, KQ5U
Spring, Texas

November 21, 2003

Thank you for contacting me regarding the possibility of transmitting broadband over power lines (BPL). I welcome your thoughts and comments on this matter.

Because broadband and electricity are transmitted over different frequencies, it is possible to provide Internet access through power lines, and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is currently studying if and how broadband services over power lines should be regulated. The transmission of BPL through power lines may interfere with existing radio use by such entities as police and emergency services so the FCC must proceed cautiously. FCC Chairman Michael Powell has pledged to protect access for those users, even if it means shifting the frequencies over which broadband will be transmitted.

As a member of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, I support increased access to the Internet, and broadband over power lines may deliver a solution for rural areas. However, it is essential BPL compete fairly with other delivery methods. As I continue to study this issue, you may be certain I will keep your views in mind.

I appreciate hearing from you and hope you will not hesitate to contact me on any issue of concern to you.

Sincerely,
Kay Bailey Hutchison
<http://hutchison.senate.gov>

Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 10:39:11 -0500
From: "John Shannon" <jsk3wwp@alltel.net>
To: "QRP Mail List" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162831] Fox Hunting Page - Thanks
Message-ID: <000701c3bffc\$f2bc5b00\$a1842845@alltel.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thanks to all of those who responded about helping me with a Fox Hunting page for my web site. The first two emails I got were from K7Q0 and K3ESE and both volunteered to write something so I plan on combining their input into one very definitive Fox Hunt page shortly after I receive the material from them.

I've also kept a couple other offers on file here to fall back on if necessary.

Let me take this opportunity to thank all of those who have discovered my site through QRP-L for the many wonderful comments I've received. I'm delighted that my site is so enjoyable and helpful to so many. That's what has made all my efforts at maintaining and updating it so worthwhile and rewarding these past 7+ years.

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73 - John, K3WWP - 100% CW & QRP  
using simple wire antennas.

<http://home.alltel.net/johnshan/>

My website is now in its eighth year  
of operation and includes the following:

DX QSL Routes \*\* Operating Tips  
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Teens and CW \*\* Monthly polls  
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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 11:21:26 -0500  
From: "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <[w1rfi@arrl.org](mailto:w1rfi@arrl.org)>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <[qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU](mailto:qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU)>  
Subject: [162832] RE: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line  
Message-ID: <721D3436A7C2B344A301FD4A413C71A902512249@kosh.arrlhq.org>  
content-class: urn:content-classes:message  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
          charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

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wait it out a bit. Until the pictures actually=20  
download to your computer, you will see little Xs.=20

73,=20  
Ed Hare, W1RFI  
ARRL Lab  
225 Main St  
Newington, CT 06111  
Tel: 860-594-0318  
Internet: [w1rfi@arrl.org](mailto:w1rfi@arrl.org)  
Web: <http://www.arrl.org/tis>

> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Bud Haynes [<mailto:kv7g@toast.net>]  
> Sent: Thursday, December 11, 2003 8:29 AM  
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
> Subject: Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line  
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> ----- Original Message -----  
> From: "Stephen Wandling" <[stephen@SwiftsureConsulting.com](mailto:stephen@SwiftsureConsulting.com)>  
> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <[qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU](mailto:qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU)>  
> Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2003 11:22 PM  
> Subject: Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line  
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> > I had the same problem. If you put your cursor over any of=20  
> the graphics  
> > you will see that each URL ends with "=3DDEMO". I suspect=20  
> that this is a  
> > demo setup for a service that they will sell.  
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> Bud - KV7G  
> Mailto: kv7g@toast.net  
> Web Site: www.qsl.net/kv7g  
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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 17:01:17 +0000  
From: "Brad Hernlem" <alihernlem@hotmail.com>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [162833] [Hints & Kinks] 'RF' Gifts for the YL/XYL  
Message-ID: <Law9-F98HQEUEiffC8a00028d78@hotmail.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Have you run out of gift ideas for your YL/XYL? Too much junk in your  
junk box?

Here's an idea ...  
matching gold-plated coaxial ports:

<http://www.geocities.com/alibhernlem/Radio/RFEarrings.html>

Good to 18 GHz and with hypo-allergenic niobium ear wires.

Brad  
KG6IOE



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Take advantage of our best MSN Dial-up offer of the year six months  
@\$9.95/month. Sign up now! <http://join.msn.com/?page=dept/dialup>

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 09:04:34 -0800  
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [162834] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line  
Message-ID: <20031211170434.GD3735@bob>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Disposition: inline

On Thu, Dec 11, 2003 at 01:54:57PM +0000, jacksonharbor@att.net wrote:  
> >Can someone tell me what I am doing wrong? When I try to view the 73 issues  
> >all I get is a lot of boxes with little red X's in them.  
>  
> Pat -  
>  
> Today I see the same thing, boxes with an X.  
>  
> Sorry - it did work last night - maybe it's a server overload  
> or maybe someone at Buckmaster flipped a switch ?  
>  
> I should have kept my mouth shut ;)  
>

I just tried it and was able to view all of the pages. I tried  
printing one and was successful. Perhaps the switch was flipped back  
on!

73, Bob N7XY

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Bob Nielsen, N7XY  
Bainbridge Island, WA

n7xy (at) n7xy.net  
<http://www.n7xy.net>

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 12:19:38 -0500 (Eastern Standard Time)  
From: "Mike WA8BXN" <hubby2k@hotmail.com>  
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>, <mark.milburn@ispwest.com>  
Subject: [162835] Re: Iowa QRP Club CW Net  
Message-ID: <3FD8A72A.000001.02432@compaq1500>

MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: Text/Plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

AA1MY and I were there looking for you, had a brief chat and listened for a while after but did not hear your peeps Mark. Will try next week.  
73/72 - Mike WA8BXN

-----Original Message-----

From: mark.milburn@ispwest.com  
Date: 12/11/03 11:59:43  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
Subject: Iowa QRP Club CW Net

Wow...think that's the first time I've ever been shut out completely. The Kansas net ran overtime so I had to start a little high, but within a few minutes they were done and I used the regular frequency...didn't hear a peep.

Sorry, gang, but we'll give her a good try again next week.

72 Mark KQ0I  
Des Moines, Iowa

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 12:32:20 -0500  
From: "Mike Czuhajewski" <MCZUHAJEWSKI@evitechnology.com>  
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Cc: <Wa8mcq@comcast.net>  
Subject: [162836] Re 73 archives online  
Message-ID: <sfd863dd.094@opal.evitechnology.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Disposition: inline

I sent mail to them when I couldn't get it to work. They replied that there was a glitch last night and that it had been taken care of it. I tried it from work at 1210 hours and it works just fine--lots of pictures.

They also indicated that the service would likely be around \$50 per year for access to the entire run of 73, and perhaps a \$300 or so lifetime subscription. They said that was comparable to the price of the

73 microfiche set that they used to sell.

My comment to them about the subscription service was that, in general, I rarely (if ever) pay for any sort of Internet content or service, but that I do buy CDs such as the archives offered by ARRL.

I'd much rather shell out a batch of money up front and have it all there, in front of me, forever. That's instantly available, whether or not my ISP is down again from a broken fiber cable shutting down the entire east coast.

I *could* subscribe for a year and download everything and burn it to a few CDRs, but then I'd have to download an average of over an issue a day and that's a lot of time at the keyboard. Downloading all those scanned images of pages is a bit of a pain with a cable modem, if you do a lot, but imagine doing it on a dial-up account :-)

A lifetime subscription is nice, but that presumes that the service will be available forever. What if they go out of business in a few years, or perhaps sell it to someone else who decides they don't want the bother of keeping up that part of it? After all, whoever buys the business buys the obligation to provide service to those lifetime subscribers but gets no income from them.

Then again, what about those people who had a lifetime subscription to 73 magazine? :-) There are lots of different lifetimes. I understand the concept of my own lifetime, but the fine print says that it's either my lifetime or theirs, whichever ends first :-)

It will be interesting to see how many people purchase subscriptions. Me, I'll be waiting for them to throw in the towel and offer it on CD--and THAT is something that I'd buy.

73 and queue our pea DE WA8MCQ

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 12:33:44 -0500  
From: Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>  
To: w1rfi@arrl.org  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [162837] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line  
Message-ID: <3FD8AA78.4010601@mindspring.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ed -

No, I think it was "down" last night for some reason. I was getting the page boxes with a small icon. Each icon "broke" or looked like it was torn, indicating the image was "broken" or not present. Today it's working fine.

The images are fairly large, 200k or so and around 450k for the Hi-Res version.

Neat idea, I wonder what it's going to cost? I think I would prefer CD's, especially if I was limited to a dial-up connection.

73, Garey - K40AH  
Atlanta

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 09:34:37 -0800  
From: "Lee Hopper" <leehopp@msn.com>  
To: <n7rr@hotmail.com>,  
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162838] Re: New Morse Character  
Message-ID: <BAY4-DAV117D3cW1y7u000159b6@hotmail.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I find that translating "hi" to "!" works pretty well.

-LH, NB7F

Bruce Prior mused:

> ... very badly needed character is ! (exclamation mark). I've proposed  
> . - . .

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 11:59:00 -0600  
From: "rattray" <rattray@accesscomm.ca>  
To: "QRP-C" <qrp-canada@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>, "QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162839] Fox - Fox Hunt Team Results.  
Message-ID: <000b01c3c010\$77f7e3d0\$7900a8c0@Bonnie>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="us-ascii"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hunt # 13 - W8RU -

QRP Cheeseheads - 47

Cajun Thunder - 47

Jerry - N9AW  
Rick - NK9G \*  
Gary - W9XT \*  
Lon - W9XU  
Jim - WA9TZE \*

Wayne - K5EOA \*  
Wayne - N5YFC  
Vern - AA50 \*  
Jim - N5IB \*  
Chris -KD5UDB \*

The Underdogs - 43

Team Air Pork - 36

Dan - N4ROA  
Dennis - N4DD  
Bob - KB2FEL  
Dave - W0CH  
Ron - KI0II \*

Wayne - K9DI  
Mike - KD5KXF  
Dave - AG4PJ  
Randy - W9HL  
Jerry - N0JRN

Raiders of the Lost RF - 23

The NE-TX Tornados - 57

Rob - VE6JAZ  
Craig - VE4WI  
Fred - VE3FAL  
Earl - VA6RF  
Bruce - VE5RC

Bill - K5JHP \*  
Don - K5DW \* Clean  
Doc - W5TB \* Sweep  
Lew - N5ZE \*  
George -W5YR \*

...please e-mail me direct with corrections, changes...tnx....

...72/73 - Bruce (VE5RC+VE5QRP) QRP-C#1 QRP-L#886 ARCI#9683 Zombie#272  
A-1 Operator Club - 10/10# 944 - QRP Borg#1 - Whiner#10 -  
- VE5QRP SOC#11 - VE5RC SOC#12 - oo#148 - K2#2032 - COG#15 -  
"QRP! How sweet it is!" "I am da man wit "DAH" paddle!"

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 10:59:19 -0700  
From: "M.M." <markem@cox.net>  
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [162840] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line  
Message-ID: <6.0.0.22.0.20031211105810.0276e918@pop.west.cox.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

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>torn, indicating the image was "broken" or not present. Today it's  
>working fine. ...

Still not working for me...at 18:00 UTC...

Mark AA7TA

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 12:03:31 -0600  
From: "rattray" <rattray@accesscomm.ca>  
To: "QRP-C" <qrp-canada@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>, "QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162841] Fox - Fox Hunt Team results.  
Message-ID: <000c01c3c011\$18f285b0\$7900a8c0@Bonnie>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="us-ascii"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hunt # 14 - K5TR -

QRP Cheeseheads - 52

Jerry - N9AW \*  
Rick - NK9G \* Clean  
Gary - W9XT \* Sweep  
Lon - W9XU \*  
Jim - WA9TZE \*

Cajun Thunder - 48

Wayne - K5EOA \*  
Wayne - N5YFC  
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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 18:09:20 +0000  
From: "Bill Rowlett" <kc4atu@hotmail.com>  
To: jsielke@pobox.com, qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [162842] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration  
Message-ID: <Law15-F68gw0V8Lr28K0002b70a@hotmail.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Now John, how do you tell the difference of a call copied wrong and a typo? This posting the log after the hunt for corrections is a joke. If it truly is an event to train people to be better operators, do away with the certificates at the end. Otherwise, do away with the log corrections.

This is the only other event run like a contest, the first is field day, which does accept log corrections. Try it with any ARRL activity and the response will not be very nice.

For true training, it must be run like any other event.

Just my 2 cents, and the snow is gone so I am back to the cave.

73, Bill kc4atu

>From: John Sielke <jsielke@pobox.com>  
>Reply-To: jsielke@pobox.com  
>To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
>Subject: Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration  
>Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 09:57:57 -0500  
>  
>>Where's the hunt in "Fox Hunt" if actual frequencies are announced on  
>>this list prior to a hunt (or in realtime during the hunt)? Isn't  
>>finding the fox mainly what the hunt is supposed to be all about? YMMV

>>  
>>72, Gary -K8KFJ-  
>  
>Same idea as the fox posting his log after the hunt, so the hounds can make  
>"corrections." If there is a typo, fine, but if a callsign was copied  
>wrong, or any of the other info, then there was no QSO. Try getting a  
>DXpedition to QSL with a busted call.  
>  
>John W2AGN  
>

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 13:12:42 -0500  
From: Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>  
To: markem@cox.net  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [162843] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line  
Message-ID: <3FD8B39A.4040507@mindspring.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Yep, I'm getting "broken" images again.

Guess they're really working on the system!

73, Garey

M.M. wrote:

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 11:52:59 -0500  
From: Peter Burbank <peterlee@qx.net>  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [162844] QSB on lower frequencies  
Message-ID: <5.2.0.9.0.20031211112857.00a0a1e0@mail.qx.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

In the wee hours this morning (2 to 4 AM EST ), I listened to WGN from Chicago on the AM broadcast band. I was astounded at the fading which I had never had before. WGN is about 900 miles north of here on 720kHz and usually rock solid copy. The QSB reminded me of the last fox hunt  
73 Pete NV4V

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 10:18:32 -0800  
From: "Ian Wilson" <ianmwilson@earthlink.net>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>, <K2UD@adelphia.net>  
Subject: [162845] Re: WTD: 2N930, 2N2369 transistors  
Message-ID: <000901c3c013\$4720a820\$1002a8c0@TrabucoIan>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="us-ascii"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have an unused 2N2369A here if you're still looking..

72 de ian, k3imw/6

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 19:08:33 +0000  
From: "Bruce Prior" <n7rr@hotmail.com>  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [162846] Whoopee! A contest without RST!  
Message-ID: <BAY1-F280WsLJtE3lDt00023b38@hotmail.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

I've found a rare bird: a contest with a QRP category that doesn't include the absurd RS/RST in its exchange. Contest organizers: take note, please. Those exchanges are almost universally abused, depriving those contests of genuine sportsmanship. I dabbled in the CQWW DX Contest in order to do some antenna testing. A very high ARRL official gave my QRP signal "5NN" after asking for five, count them, five repeats. That operator was not alone. One would think that testers would reserve some spot in their contest keyers or computer programs for a "329" or something, just to retain their own pride.

Here's a fine alternative:

#### RULES

##### EIGHTH STEW PERRY TOPBAND DISTANCE CHALLENGE

1. Contest period: 1500Z December 27th to 1500Z December 28th, 2003. Operate for a maximum of 14 hours.
2. Bands and mode: 160 meters CW only.
3. Categories: Single operator or multi-operator. Remote or packet spotting shall not be used. Transmitting and receiving antennas shall be located at the same QTH.
4. Exchange: Four character grid square (i.e. CN85).
5. QSO Points: The number of QSO points for each contact depends on the distance between the two stations. This is computed by taking the distance between the centers of the two grid squares. Count a minimum of one point per QSO and an additional point for every 500 kilometers distance. For example, a QSO with a station 1750 kilometers away will count for 4 QSO points. No additional distance for long path is allowed.

Special QRP QSO bonus. For each QSO you work with a QRP station that we receive a log for, you will receive a 2X QSO point bonus.

Do not worry if your logging software does not compute the QSO points. Our automated log checking software does this.

6. Score: Final score equals the total number of QSO points. There is

no multiplier for different grids worked. Stations running 5 to 100 watts output multiply their score by 2. Stations running less than 5 watts multiply their score by 4. Scores will be grouped by category.

7. Reporting: Your log can be sent via the internet to TBDC@CONTESTING.COM using the Cabrillo format before January 31st, 2004. Paper entries can be mailed to BARC 15125 SE Bartell Rd; Boring, OR 97009. If possible please provide an electronic copy of your log.
8. Plaques will be awarded for categories we have sponsors for. To volunteer to sponsor a plaque, contact Lew Sayre, W7EW at [lew@teleport.com](mailto:lew@teleport.com). A list of the plaques sponsored can be found on the web at <http://jzap.com/k7rat/stew.html>. Certificates will also be sent to the high scores in each grid field (first two letters of the grid). This service is provided by Jim, K1PX.
9. Results are published on the web in September. Look for an announcement on the topband and contest reflectors.

72,

J. Bruce Prior N7RR  
Kairos Research  
853 Alder Street  
Blaine, WA 98230-8030  
360-332-6046

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<https://broadband.msn.com>

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 14:05:21 -0500  
From: Bruce Muscolino <[w6toy@erols.com](mailto:w6toy@erols.com)>  
To: [k5di@zianet.com](mailto:k5di@zianet.com)  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <[qrp-l@lehigh.edu](mailto:qrp-l@lehigh.edu)>  
Subject: [162847] Re: 80 meters  
Message-ID: <[3FD8BFF1.FB9F2E50@erols.com](mailto:3FD8BFF1.FB9F2E50@erols.com)>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Karl,

Try using 80 whether there are foxes or not. You will find it a fun band. At this time of the year it becomes a real good DX band. In sweepstakes I have worked nearly all states running 5 watts! It is quiet and fun.

73

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 11:12:57 -0800  
From: Steve Smith <sigcom@juno.com>  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [162848] Lectrokit Spider: WTD, manual  
Message-ID: <20031211.111257.-16314827.0.sigcom@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
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I have a Lectrokit SP-1 "Spider" transceiver (not the 'B' mod.) but need the manual. Also would like to get the doc's. on the audio filter.

Would be interested in buying SP-1 or SP-1B for any band.

TNX

73.....Steve Smith WB6TNL  
Oxnard, CA USA  
"Snort Rosin"

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 12:48:22 -0700  
From: "John\_Evans" <jaevans@codenet.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162849] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!  
Message-ID: <200312111248.AA24904104@mail.codenet.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Which reminds me !!!! I only need AK and RI for WAS QRP 160m CW. If anyone in Alaska or Rhode Island will be on for the Topband Distance Challenge, I will listen for you. I worked Alabama last week and am hoping for a QSL card soon, so that will leave me with only two states to go - I know, they'll be the toughest.

72 - john - N0HJ

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 12:55:06 -0700 (MST)  
From: Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>  
To: Bruce Prior <n7rr@hotmail.com>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162850] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0312111247401.4714-100000@bucket.dog>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Thu, 11 Dec 2003, Bruce Prior wrote:

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> asking for five, count them, five repeats. That operator was not alone.

All QRP contestors have got canned rst reports. Now that there are stored voice reports you will get canned rs numbers. I used to laugh at the European op who gave me 599 on 40 meters and then needed my call and area repeated. I did it and have these cards on the wall.

I was the Fox last week and if you worked me you got 559 NM KARL 5W from me because it was memory 2 on my CMOS keyer. I can say there were few stations above 559 that night, and plenty weaker. But a Fox is busy at that time in the Hunt.

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 13:18:40 -0700

From: "Ron KU7Y" <ku7y@tds.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162851] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!  
Message-ID: <006401c3c023\$fcfe04c0\$54910b45@ku7y>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Bruce and all,

> the absurd RS/RST in its exchange

Not really absurd at all.

It's true value is in the value it has to let the brain have just a bit more time to synchronize to the speed of the sending station.

And if you notice, when you send a "true" report to the contest stations they get them without any trouble unless you are so weak that they have trouble hearing you.

Trying to figure out what should be sent for the RST during a run where you are holding a rate of around 100/hr or more is absurd! With all the filters settings, RF gain, preamps/no preamps, RX antennas you would have to spend longer trying to figure out the true RST than you now take to make several QSO's.

The Stew Perry is a fun contest and gets by just fine without the RST.

Here is something else to think about when you ask a contest committee to change the rules..... You have just caused all the records to be "thrown out". You can never compare scores from different contests because the exchanges are different. Same thing if you change the exchange..... now it's not the same and you have to start all over again. Never a good idea. Well, maybe sometimes but not for such a non issue as the placeholder RST.

There have been tons of posts on this subject both here and on the contest reflectors.

OK, back in my hole.....

73,

Ron, KU7Y  
ku7y@qsl.net  
Brenda, AZ (or somewhere close!)  
<http://www.qsl.net/ku7y>



<http://www.BrendaJamFest.com>

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 15:22:31 -0500  
From: "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162852] Re: FOX: Idea for Consideration  
Message-ID: <000301c3c024\$813389e0\$4f3b0843@swfla.rr.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="Windows-1252"  
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Every Hound who does not want credit for a pelt because the  
FOX, for  
whatever reason, has listed your callsign incorrectly in  
the pre-log  
can ask the Fox to NOT correct your listing, whereby that  
pelt will not  
be credited to your callsign. Each such uncorrected  
callsign will  
probably be in the end of season totals as "1 for 40." Of  
course, you  
will have to discover the callsign error to prompt your  
request, but  
that should not be a problem because the time of the QSO,  
your name  
and your State are likely to be listed correctly. I cannot  
recall that  
any FOX has ever made 2 errors in one listing.

I'd be DARN disappointed to lose my pelt for this listing in  
a pre-log:  
"0230 N1EP 559 FL TOM 5W" - especially as N1EP is Phil  
in Maine.

Tom, N1TP  
Naples, FL

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 11:33:58 -0800 (PST)  
From: Curt Milton <wb8yyy@yahoo.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162853] Re: QSB on lower frequencies

Message-ID: <20031211193359.33260.qmail@web60807.mail.yahoo.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Yes QSB happens and its real "interesting" at the lower frequencies. We had this "fun" on the ARCI 160m contest (and the bigger one) as stations had lots of QSB.

When I was a teen i would do a little DCB DX'ing ...

just tune to one of the "graveyard frequencies" where the "QRP" BC stations abound around local sunset and listen to the stations fade in and an out, particularly interesting as they start going off the air or changing pattern.

I am not an expert but i think its easy to envision a weaker ionosphere means more QSB.

If every signal propagated every where this hobby would not be quite as interesting! Be thankful we were given the ionosphere!

Thanks for the interesting posting!

curt wb8yyy

--- Peter Burbank <peterlee@qx.net> wrote:  
> In the wee hours this morning (2 to 4 AM EST ), I  
> listened to WGN from  
> Chicago on the  
> AM broadcast band. I was astounded at the fading  
> which I had never had  
> before. WGN is about  
> 900 miles north of here on 720kHz and usually rock  
> solid copy. The QSB  
> reminded me of the  
> last fox hunt  
> 73 Pete NV4V  
>  
>

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 15:30:25 -0500  
From: "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162854] Re: 80 meters  
Message-ID: <000301c3c025\$9c2fb100\$4f3b0843@swfla.rr.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="Windows-1252"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I agree with Bruce. 80 meters is an excellent  
band for QRP CW and QRP SSB.

Tom, N1TP  
Naples, FL

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 16:11:05 -0500  
From: Steven Weber <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [162855] HB: digital SWR/power meter  
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.20031211161105.007b0100@mailhost.ncia.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Hey Gang,

Check out the neat little digital SWR/Power meter I built into a Whitmans  
Sampler tin, using the Atmel "Butterfly" demo board.

<<http://www.qsl.net/kd1jv/digiswr.HTM>>

72,  
Steve, KD1JV  
"Melt Solder"  
White Mountains of New Hampshire  
<http://www.qsl.net/kd1jv/>

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Date: Fri, 12 Dec 2003 00:02:31 +0300  
From: "Oleg V. Borodin" <master72@lipetsk.ru>

To: QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [162856] RST in QRP Contests  
Message-ID: <541678112.20031212000231@lipetsk.ru>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Dear OM's!

We are in RU-QRP "Wake-Up! QRP Sprint" use the exchange as RST-NrQSO / last previous station suffix. It's very comfortable and also enables to orient, what stations participate in the test. Next, in Contest Log each participants show his WW-Loc. Charge of points - for a distance between QRP-stations, used DistanceCalculator software. IMHO, it is the most optimum variant for QRP-Contest.

Wish you all the best!  
72! de RV3GM Oleg ("Master-72") V. Borodin  
Chairman of RU-QRP Club <http://ruqrp.narod.ru>

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 14:29:50 -0700  
From: "KXBill" <KXB-1@cox.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162857] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!  
Message-ID: <008301c3c02d\$e8b76420\$76d70344@ph.cox.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
          charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Replace the RST with your zip code. That would work out well for figuring distance between and wattage per mile. The Hound who has the lowest watts/mile get's.....well,,,I'll think of something.

Cheers  
BillH\_w7kxb\_

----- Original Message -----  
From: "Bruce Prior" <n7rr@hotmail.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Thursday, December 11, 2003 12:08  
Subject: Whoopee! A contest without RST!

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 16:42:03 -0500  
From: "Fred \ (VE3FAL\)" <flesnick@tbaytel.net>  
To: "'Tom Palmer'" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>,  
      "'Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion'" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [162858] RE: 80 meters  
Message-ID: <002d01c3c02f\$9deee1a0\$0e05d3d8@flesnick>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
          charset="us-ascii"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Fall and winter months bring both excellent cdx on 160 and 80...I have a blast in the QRP mw contest on 160, surprising what you can work on 500mw..Dont forget though, you need a good antenna, no compromising on these bands.

I would look forward to seeing the foxes on 80, the last few weeks for me on 40 have been terrible with NO foxes heard....

Good luck to all, and a safe holiday season.

Fred  
VE3FAL

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of Tom Palmer

Sent: December 11, 2003 3:30 PM

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion

Subject: Re: 80 meters

I agree with Bruce. 80 meters is an excellent band for QRP CW and QRP SSB.

Tom, N1TP  
Naples, FL

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 15:42:54 -0600  
From: "Joe Martin" <km5cw@wt.net>  
To: "QRP-1" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162859] ScQRPion Key #62 lives  
Message-ID: <026a01c3c02f\$bcb6ac30\$c48f77d8@JoesHome1>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="Windows-1252"  
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Great job of drilling and cutting AZ ScQRPions on the brass! For those who have never done any drilling and taping, let me tell you, to have pulled this project off with the accuracy and fit the crew achieved is A+++ . I got #62 adjusted FB, I used a piece of Dental floss to control the spring along with a pair of tweezers. I also took electrical tape and placed it under where the dit and dah wires are soldered to act as insulation just to be on the safe side. Once again Hats Off AZ ScQRPions!

73 de KM5CW, Joe

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 15:50:21 -0600

From: "Joe Martin" <km5cw@wt.net>

To: "QRP-1" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [162860] Re: digital SWR/power meter

Message-ID: <027601c3c030\$c70da7f0\$c48f77d8@JoesHome1>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Very nice Steve, I'll have to make sure I bookmark this for future projects.  
Just when I think there are no more new ideas someone in the group comes up  
with a dozy.

FB

73 de KM5CW, Joe

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 15:53:38 -0600  
From: "Joe Martin" <km5cw@wt.net>  
To: "QRP-1" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162861] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!  
Message-ID: <027e01c3c031\$3c404000\$c48f77d8@JoesHome1>  
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Why not just use the GRID of your QTH?

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To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Thursday, December 11, 2003 3:29 PM  
Subject: Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 16:58:46 -0500  
From: "KB0VCC" <KB0VCC@Adelphia.Net>

To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162862] Thanks!  
Message-ID: <000301c3c031\$f41df3c0\$6601a8c0@HPNotebook>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thanks to all for your responses to my query about solid state keyers with boatanchor gear. I was looking for an easy (read cheap) solution without using another active device, but it seems that's the best way. That, or a mercury wetted relay (which presents its own set of issues). The Globe Scout I'm using appears to be plate keyed (not grid-blocked), but the HT-37 is grid-blocked. In addition to using an intermediate device between the rig and the electronic keyer, I also want to use it with my Bencher RJ-2 straight key, to prevent its silver contacts from turning into ozone. There's a pretty impressive blue arc on break. Been using a CHEAP Ameco key for now, but the beam-flex is pretty obnoxious. The Jackson Harbor grid-block interface kit sure seems like a deal for the price. I doubt I could gather the parts for just \$8 on my own. May try that route.

I suppose a REAL ham would build a hollow-state keyer, but I'd still want to protect my keys and paddles from the arcing involved with that, so I'd still need some intermediate device anyway. Oh well, thanks again.

72/73,  
Dale

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 17:05:23 -0500  
From: w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162863] Re: New Morse code character  
Message-ID: <200312111705.23356.w9ya@arrl.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Disposition: inline

On Wednesday 10 December 2003 07:54 pm, David Porter wrote:  
> I just tried to send it to and found that it was easier to think of it as  
> (WR) than (AC). It was much smoother that way.

Thanxs...that did the trick for me. (ac just wasn't cutting it AT ALL.)

Vy 72;

Bob  
w9ya

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> Dave, AA3UR  
>  
> > Just saw an  
> > article on the ARRL website that the ITU is going to adopt a  
> > character for  
> > the "@" symbol that is used in email addys. They decided on "AC"  
> > (.-.-.-.)  
> > for this. Wonder how long it has been since a character was added?  
> >  
> > 72/73  
> >  
> > Dennis - WB0WAO

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 18:04:38 -0600 (CST)  
From: Dale Botkin <dale@botkin.org>  
To: QRP list <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162864] Re: Truffle Report  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.33.0312111804240.6516-1000000@madmax.botkin.org>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Thu, 11 Dec 2003, Juan Ferrari wrote:

> I had a great time practicing sending CQFP de KG4FSN during 30 minutes.

You know, with the right keyer you could set that up as a message in memory with auto-repeat (beacon mode) set for a delay of, say, 10 seconds or so (or less if you prefer). Then when someone answers you just tap a paddle and the auto-repeat is terminated. Heck, with jsut the right keyer you could even do it while using a straight key if you prefer!

Now, I wonder where a guy could get a keyer like that? 8-)

72,  
Dale - N0XAS

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It's a thankless job, but I've got a lot of Karma to burn off.  
PicoKeyers have auto-repeat and straight key support! Check out  
<http://www.hamgadgets.com>

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 17:12:19 -0500  
From: w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162865] Re: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line  
Message-ID: <200312111712.19576.w9ya@arrl.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
    charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Disposition: inline

I am having no difficulty with konqueror's browser.

Bob  
w9ya

On Thursday 11 December 2003 06:49 am, Pastor-kc1di wrote:  
> I tried to acess the sight and none of my browsers would render the pages  
> of 73 any one had sucess?  
> I've tried I.E. Monzilla, opera and others.  
>  
> -----Original Message-----  
>  
> From: jacksonharbor@att.net  
> Date: Wednesday, December 10, 2003 21:20:05  
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
> Subject: [OT] 73 Magazine archives on-line  
>  
> Fellows and Gals -  
>  
> I was just on the Buckmaster callsign server when I noticed that they  
> have many of the issues of 73 Magazine scanned and on-line. See:  
>  
> <<http://hamcall.net/73>>  
>  
> The earlier issues were quite a bit thicker than the recent ones. Lots

> of good information in 73 (along with those famous W2NSD editorials ;)
>
> For example: Jan/Feb/March of 1994 had 3 articles by K9EUI on his
> WWVB based frequency standard.
>
> It seems like access to the 73 archives is free now but that will
> apparently change in the future.
>
> I haven't found an index to 73 on-line but one thing I usually do
> is check the FAR Circuits catalog if I'm looking for a particular
> type of project - then trace down the magazine and issue to see
> if it's worth pursuing.
>
> FAR catalog is at:
>
> <[http://www.farcircuits.net/FAR\\_CKTS.pdf](http://www.farcircuits.net/FAR_CKTS.pdf)>
>
> Best Regards,
>
> Chuck Olson, WB9KZY
> Jackson Harbor Press
> <<http://jacksonharbor.home.att.net/>>
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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 17:15:51 -0500
From: w9ya <[w9ya@arrl.net](mailto:w9ya@arrl.net)>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <[qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU](mailto:qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU)>
Subject: [162866] Re: BPL (a Senators response)
Message-ID: <200312111715.51396.w9ya@arrl.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Disposition: inline

Sounds like a "canned" response letter that she really didn't write.

Bob
w9ya

On Thursday 11 December 2003 10:33 am, AI2Q wrote:
> Time to write her another letter Terry, and explain more details to her.
> Hold her feet to the fire!

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> GL.  
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> Vy 73, AI2Q, Alex in Kennebunk, Maine QRP-L #687  
> <http://users.adelphia.net/~alexmm/ai2q.htm>  
>  
> .-.-.  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of  
> tmyers  
> Sent: Thursday, December 11, 2003 1:44 AM  
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
> Subject: BPL (a Senators response)  
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>  
> This is the text of a letter that I received today from Senator Kay  
> Bailey Hutchison on the topic of broadband over power lines (BPL). I'm  
> not sure she has the point yet.  
>  
> Terry, KQ5U  
> Spring, Texas  
>  
>  
> November 21, 2003  
>  
> Thank you for contacting me regarding the possibility of transmitting  
> broadband over power lines (BPL). I welcome your thoughts and comments  
> on this matter.  
>  
> Because broadband and electricity are transmitted over different  
> frequencies, it is possible to provide Internet access through power  
> lines, and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is currently  
> studying if and how broadband services over power lines should be  
> regulated. The transmission of BPL through power lines may interfere  
> with existing radio use by such entities as police and emergency  
> services so the FCC must proceed cautiously. FCC Chairman Michael  
> Powell has pledged to protect access for those users, even if it means  
> shifting the frequencies over which broadband will be transmitted.  
>  
> As a member of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation  
> Committee, I support increased access to the Internet, and broadband  
> over power lines may deliver a solution for rural areas. However, it is  
> essential BPL compete fairly with other delivery methods. As I continue  
> to study this issue, you may be certain I will keep your views in mind.  
>  
> I appreciate hearing from you and hope you will not hesitate to contact



> me on any issue of concern to you.  
>  
> Sincerely,  
> Kay Bailey Hutchison  
> <http://hutchison.senate.gov>

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 17:24:01 -0500  
From: w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162867] Re: Re 73 archives online  
Message-ID: <200312111724.01555.w9ya@arrl.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
    charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Disposition: inline

Hey Mike;

I am contemplating sucking this off of the internet with something semi-automated like httrack. I was hoping to find the time soon to try that.

I am, like you, happy to pay a \*reasonable\* fee, but would prefer to have a local copy. Ideally, they would be willing to see cds, which I would be happy to buy, and offer an Internet search service for this. I bet that would sell alot of cds. The ARRL is doing this now for their magazine cd sets and it sure is handy.

Vy 72;

Bob  
w9ya

On Thursday 11 December 2003 12:32 pm, Mike Czuhajewski wrote:  
> I sent mail to them when I couldn't get it to work. They replied that  
> there was a glitch last night and that it had been taken care of it. I  
> tried it from work at 1210 hours and it works just fine--lots of  
> pictures.  
>  
> They also indicated that the service would likely be around \$50 per  
> year for access to the entire run of 73, and perhaps a \$300 or so  
> lifetime subscription. They said that was comparable to the price of the  
> 73 microfiche set that they used to sell.  
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> My comment to them about the subscription service was that, in general,  
> I rarely (if ever) pay for any sort of Internet content or service, but  
> that I do buy CDs such as the archives offered by ARRL.  
>  
> I'd much rather shell out a batch of money up front and have it all  
> there, in front of me, forever. That's instantly available, whether or  
> not my ISP is down again from a broken fiber cable shutting down the  
> entire east coast.  
>  
> I \*could\* subscribe for a year and download everything and burn it to a  
> few CDRs, but then I'd have to download an average of over an issue a  
> day and that's a lot of time at the keyboard. Downloading all those  
> scanned images of pages is a bit of a pain with a cable modem, if you do  
> a lot, but imagine doing it on a dial-up account :-)  
>  
> A lifetime subscription is nice, but that presumes that the service  
> will be available forever. What if they go out of business in a few  
> years, or perhaps sell it to someone else who decides they don't want  
> the bother of keeping up that part of it? After all, whoever buys the  
> business buys the obligation to provide service to those lifetime  
> subscribers but gets no income from them.  
>  
> Then again, what about those people who had a lifetime subscription to  
> 73 magazine? :-) There are lots of different lifetimes. I understand the  
> concept of my own lifetime, but the fine print says that it's either my  
> lifetime or theirs, whichever ends first :-)  
>  
> It will be interesting to see how many people purchase subscriptions.  
> Me, I'll be waiting for them to throw in the towel and offer it on  
> CD--and THAT is something that I'd buy.  
>  
> 73 and queue our pea DE WA8MCQ

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 17:26:16 -0500  
From: Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>  
To: KB0VCC@Adelphia.Net  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [162868] Re: Thanks!  
Message-ID: <3FD8EF08.40108@mindspring.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Dale -

The Globe Scout is cathode keyed like most transmitters of that era.

Jackson Harbor looks like a good idea!

73, Garey - K40AH  
Atlanta

KB0VCC wrote:

> Thanks to all for your responses to my query about solid state keyers  
> with boatanchor gear. I was looking for an easy (read cheap) solution  
> without using another active device, but it seems that's the best way.  
> That, or a mercury wetted relay (which presents its own set of issues).  
> The Globe Scout I'm using appears to be plate keyed (not grid-blocked),  
> but the HT-37 is grid-blocked. In addition to using an intermediate  
> device between the rig and the electronic keyer, I also want to use it  
> with my Bencher RJ-2 straight key, to prevent its silver contacts from  
> turning into ozone. There's a pretty impressive blue arc on break.  
> Been using a CHEAP Ameco key for now, but the beam-flex is  
> pretty obnoxious. The Jackson Harbor grid-block interface kit  
> sure seems like a deal for the price. I doubt I could gather the  
> parts for just \$8 on my own. May try that route.  
>  
> I suppose a REAL ham would build a hollow-state keyer, but  
> I'd still want to protect my keys and paddles from the arcing  
> involved with that, so I'd still need some intermediate device  
> anyway. Oh well, thanks again.  
>  
> 72/73,  
> Dale  
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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 17:57:22 -0500  
From: "Bob Schreibmaier" <k3ph@ptd.net>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162869] Re: Whoopee! A contest without RST!  
Message-ID: <004601c3c03a\$230d0d80\$6400a8c0@k3ph>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="Windows-1252"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Frame Alignment Word (FAW). Helps the station to decode the real information that follows. Of course, CQWW is only a "copy the call" contest anyway, since we all know what zone everyone is in. At least in ARRL DX, you need to be able to copy the transmitter power.

72/73,

[illegible]

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Date: Thu, 11 Dec 2003 17:08:37 -0600  
From: "Joe Martin" <km5cw@wt.net>  
To: "QRP-1" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [162870] ScQRPion Key #62 lives  
Message-ID: <029801c3c03b\$b664f920\$c48f77d8@JoesHome1>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="Windows-1252"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

From: "Joe Martin" <km5cw@wt.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Thursday, December 11, 2003 3:42 PM  
Subject: ScQRPion Key #62 lives

Update, I just uploaded 2 jpg's of the finished #62 to my Front Page at (<http://www.km5cw.org>) a bottom shot with explanation and an angle side shot.

Guess we need a place to have a gathering of ScQRPion Keys. I have lots of free space if folks want to have A group of them I can add 2 jpgs each I can shrink them with PhotoShop

no problem. Just an Idea in case the AZ guys don't have the space it's up to y'all

72 KM5CW Joe

> Great job of drilling and cutting AZ ScQRPions on the brass! For those who  
> have never done any drilling and taping, let me tell you, to have pulled  
> this project off with the accuracy and fit the crew achieved is A+++ . I  
got

> #62 adjusted FB, I used a piece of Dental floss to control the spring  
along

> with a pair of tweezers. I also took electrical tape and placed it under  
> where the dit and dah wires are soldered to act as insulation just to be  
on

> the safe side. Once again Hats Off AZ ScQRPions!

> 73 de KM5CW, Joe

> ARCI #11368 FP#-697 FISTS#4217

> GRID EM13kf FtWorth,Tx

> 32:49:31N 97:06:13W

> (<http://www.km5cw.org>)

> -----| Virus Scanned by Symantec |-----

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